ByProf. W. F. MASSEY



Hallfax Count: I greatly enjoy read- 700 pounds an acre, your contributions, and now in re-I have utterly failed, fter trying for seven or eight years, only succeeded after quitting clover. I now plant tobacco

there in the result on tobacco. My the corn, wheat and oats after selling for

profitably used on your land an

best fertilizer for cotton on sandy soil. Is tankage a good source from which to got nitrogen for tobacco? What is the difference in the effect on tobacco of sulprate and muriate of potash? What effect will an excess of phosphate have on tobacco; also of ampoint and potash?

monta and potash?"

It is rather odd to find you way own the North Carolina coast readg The Times-Dispatch, but I am glad
get in touch with old friends in ture of the land is assured.

Wednesday, Dember 31, 1913. the Old North State. For cotton mix, Dahlia 1,000 pounds of 16 per cent acid phosphate, 100 pounds nitrate of soda, 700 pounds cotton seed meal or fish scray st way to keep and 200 pounds of muriate of potash in to make a ton. Use half of what you on of the coun-I have mine cast, for cotton roots run far and wide box with soil across the rows, and the fertilizer bottom and then should be there for them. In a good

another layer of mixture, in which plenty of acid phoseli and so on to phate is used, I would not use tankage too. The box 's on tobacco. The best organic in a closet in my for nitrogen for tobacco is pure dried dining-room, a blood. Potash for tobacco should alsouth room. Will ways be in the form of the high-grade they keep well there, sulphate. The murlate makes tobacco sion o or will it be too late and green, and if it is to be burned, is the burn my dahlias, and I it causes it to burn badly and makes day to hundreds of them, in a shallow poor smoking tobacco. An excess of I dig the pit about one phosphorus makes the leaves of toof deep, pice a layer of bacco thin and papery and the veins of the bottom and then pack could be solved by the bottom and then pack cause too late ripening. In a good re in I coer a thick layer of mixture I have never had an excess ewspapers wer the top, and then shed the soil ver in a heap, so as phate, and I always want 10 per cent shed the rair off well. They keep of potash in a tobacco fertilizer. While ter in this ay than any other, the formula I have heretofore given ar roots will e apt to dry up hard for tobacco has done finely in the the house, setter take them out of bright tobacco counties along the wand bury tem as I do. Make the Virginia line, it will have an excess er of old papers thick and put pien-of hitrogen for much of the land in of soil on too and they will be perof soil on top and they will be per-your section, unless used in much small-er amount than in Granville County There it has been used at the rate of

Buying Eruit Trees,
"Is it better to get Northern grown fruit trees for planting here?" No When you need trees, get them from the same lard every year on a green the nearest good nursery, and get them in better shape and at less cost for freight. There are good nurseries and it the them in better shape and nurseries for freight. There are good nurseries and it the them in better shape and nurseries for freight. in tobacco three years, and it in Virginia and North Carolina, and What kind of fertilizer will be best use on this land, working in tobacco very year, followed by rye. Land is ght to dark gray, with yellow subsoil. there is no need for going North and lan and Ojinaga. greatly more freight. Home-grown American vessels have been concentrees are better for our planting than trated at Mazztlan, and that the Japagent, for the nursery prices will be less than those of the agent, who has I use clover and peas in rota-orn on the clover sod, peas costs to pay. Of course, there are agents reliable nurseries. red clover sown on these in there are others who are frauds. When war Department show that General Huerta resign in favor of a President make forty bushels of corn a traveling agent tells you wonderful Obregon is in command of 6,600 Fed-ad interim; that an early date be fixed t data and the special value of his success tales about the special value of his ment has no figures as to the rebel at Huerta should not be a candidate years, him down as a fraud. Always demand army, it is understood that General for the presidency.

Carranza has concentrated the whole distributions of the agent from a concentrated the whole distribution. and I owe most of my success tales about the special value of his erals there, and while the War Departing to your writings. I have trees above all others, it is safe to set ment has no figures as to the rebel seems to be accumulating that well known nursery before dealing with

from Meadow Brook Farm, Ivor, Va.
"The following mash we consider good,"
The War Department has no reports and get an average of twelve eggs, here the rebels are sufficiently strong ted remains to be seen. It every night: 50 per cent wheat bran to capture the town. The last instructed for a few years, and so by weight: 25 per cent corn meal by well for a few years, and so by weight; 25 per cent corn meal by tions of the Secretary of War were you get paying crops of good weight; 15 per cent meat scraps by that if the rebels or regulars crossed cannot blame you, though, as weight; 10 per cent fine grit by weight, very much dislike the idea of If the eighteen ducks have a good same crop year capacity, they should be fed about go, when I was two and three-quarter pounds of the tobacco in various fertilizer above mash in the morning and the out a formula which has been used them all the cracked corn they will out after success in the counties eat up clean and quickly. Always out that this would have been contrary success in the counties eat up clean and quickly. Always line from you. But there keep before them fine-ground oyster the line from you. But there keep before them fine-ground oyster to the exceed it on land that had no green shells, ground charcoal and six or eight Fresident. crop on it, and this will make a inches of water in the drinking veshouse, and have several inches pounds an acre, and made once at any time, since this editor is priced tobacco sold that not a poultrymen by any means, till our poultry friends give their experi-

Improving a Run-Port Last spring Isle of Wight County: "Last spring 1 bought a tract of land adjoining my Dart is light sandy soil with Improving a Run-Down Farm sister, in all probability, the potassy man from kaint, and that will injury am man from kaint, and that will injury and the property of the p he quality of the lear. I would always itenants till it made five to fifteen that may own fertilizer for tobacco, tenants till it made five to fifteen bushels of corn an acre. Plowed it

## EXACTING POANS LIND TO CONFER FROM AMERICANS WITH WILSON ON

Military Authorities at Acapulco Reported as Oppressing Foreign Citizens.

PROTEST BY WASHINGTON

Huerta Said to Be Getting Arms and Ammunition From British Sources.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, December 30 .- Oppression of American citizens at Acapulco According to the advices to the de-

exacting forced loans, and the Americans and other foreigners are affected The usual representations have gone

to Mexico City and to the American consul at Acapulco in the interest of Americans and other foreigners. The department is anxiously awaiting a Officers of the Navy Department

have what they regard as reliable in-formation that Huerta is getting arms and ammunition from British sources. son of any favor shown to Huerta by the British minister at Mexico as far they find, but that arms are certainly going to Huerta via on the west and through Honis stated this matter has been referred to the State Department, as the Navy Department is without power to act. The attention of the State Department, War Department and Navy Department is focused now on Mazat-

The reports show that four of the at a distance and on dif-Then buy direct from the cruiser Shearwater have turned up tonot from a traveling gether at this port with the American

> and at Mazatlan. The official reports to the Carranza has concentrated the whole force of the Northwest for the siege and capture of Mazatlan.

woman correspondent recently affair now for the first time at this negotiations, the American envoy remen who asked about the feed of Indian Runner port. Her cruiser is there to take care turned to Vera Cruz, where he since the have. I ducks, and I referred the matter to of her own citizens, and the British has remained watching developments.

of Federals fifty miles west of Ojinaga, the expressed instructions of the

clared to-day that this government had no confirmation of the report that ing from the revolution in Mexico. Huerta was to resign and take the field. He said in one of the dispatches to the department from Mexico it was stated such a report was current in

DR. CHARLES PHELPS DEAD

Improving a Run-Down Farm.

Isle of Wight County: "Last spring I bought a tract of land adjoining my farm. Part is light sandy soil with subsoil of yellow sand and a little clay. It would always and all poor. Had been cropped by the served as contract surcemper 12, 1834. He served as contract sur-geon during the War Between the States, and was aboard the United States transport Arago when that vessel was fitted out to meet the Merrimac. Later he came to New York, where for forty years he was attached to St. Vincent and Bellevue hospitals. He retired in 1998.

Pupe in Excellent Health.

Rome, December 39.—Pope Plus X. is in excellent health, despite reports that he is indisposed. To-day he received the diplomatic corps accredited to the vatican, who presented greetings for the New Year. The Pope appeared bright.

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# REBELS STEADI GAIN ON REDERALS

TIMES ASPATCH: RIC OND, V. , JONESDAY, DECEMBER 31,

more than a few days,

ton, and Secretary of State Bryan en route here from the South, no definite information was available in Washington to-night regarding the reported intention of John Lind, the President

dent's personal representative in Mex-ico, to leave Vera Cruz for a con-ference with the President at Pass

In official circles the news was not

the opportunity to learn from Mr. Lind

from Mr. Lind since the President's

or Navy Departments regarding Mr. Lind's plan to leave Vera Cruz on the

tion. He formally accepted the resig-nation of Ambassador Henry Lane Wil-

Lind, regretted the proposals on be-

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pany to pay in cash the \$2,500,000 in-

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NO BULLETS CROSS BORDER Causes No Surprise.
Washington, December 30.—With
President Wilson away from Washing-

Many Wounded and Deserters Wade Through River to American Side.

Presidio, Texas, December 30 .-- The attle between 5,000 rebels under General Toribio Ortega and the Northern received with surprise, the general be-lief being that the President while on the Gulf Coast, was merely taking when darkness fell his opinion of the Mexican situation. It was believed here that Mr. Lind to-night. No bullets came across the

probably would return to Vera Cruz after his talk with the President. Secretary Tumulty to-night said no thirty-six hours and many

killed and wounded.
General Ortega, executing a series word had come to the White House of flank movements, steadily kept on the Offensive, gaining foot by foot the offensive gaining foot by foot gaining foot gaining foot gaining gaining gaining foot gaining gain approaches to the Federal stronghold. The Federal forces, crippled and disorganized by the first rebel onslaught, clung to the hillside trenches, where their leaders had decided to make a were any advices received at the State leaders had decided to make a believed here, is anxious to hear from Mr. Lind all the observations he has from the part and in Mexico. last stand. They rallied somewhat from the panic that seized many of them with the first volleys of the rebels It was August 4, last, that President Wilson took the first formal step in the policy through which he proposed to deal with the Mexican situation. when daylight disclosed the position of Ortega's men, and put up a plucky fight against heavy their losses were heavy from wounds and desertions. Many wounded and deserters waded walst deep through the

son and sent Former Governor Lind, of Minnesota, to Mexico City as his personal representative. Mr. Lind arrived at the American consulate in rived at the American consulate rived at the rived Vera Cruz August 9, and proceeded to the river were allowed to remain, and Mexico City.

Mr. Lind succeeded in obtaining an physicians, but several score unwound-unofficial audience with Foreign Minister Federico Gamboa on August 12, the United States border patrol under the United States border sional President of the viewpoint of the border.

States and its desire for a Army officers were Major McNamee and sent back across

ships.

Expect Battle at Massian.

There is to be an important battle which may take place at any moment at Mazatlan. The official reports to the at Mazatlan. The official reports to the at Mazatlan that General the United States and its desire for a peaceful and friendly solution of the problem. He submitted a proposal from this government which, briefly, was that there should be a complete cessation of hostilities in Mexico; that there is a complete constitution of the problem. The submitted a proposal from this government which, briefly, was that there should be a complete cessation of hostilities in Mexico; that there is no discovered the peaceful and friendly solution of the problem. He submitted a proposal from this government which being a complete constitution of the peaceful and friendly solution of the peaceful and friendly solution of the problem. He submitted a proposal from this government which being a complete casualties had been heavy, and Red Cross representatives sent requests for more help and hospital supplies. They also requested permission to cross the border to attend the wounded on the battlefield.

Neither of the opposing forces is provided with hospital facilities, and wounded have been left on the hill-sides where they fell. Although 5,000 rebels were engaged,

much of their fire was ineffective in the early hours of the battle because half of the Huerta government, and after several attempts to extend the of the position they occupied below the village.
Ojinaja, a cluster of adobe buildings,

stands a mile from the border at the top of high hills which line the valthrough which the rebels advanced. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] New York, December 30.—E. N. own, president of the National Rail-When day dawned, Ortega's men had cellent stock company is giving at the gained the foot of a hill three miles below this week unquestionably the from the village, where the Federals best rounded and most artistically perways of Mexico, following a conference with the bankers for the property, has announced the inability of the comhad planted a fort to command ap-proaches to the town. They spread Of course, the play itself goes fa proaches to the town. They spread of course, the play itself goes far along the hillsides and opened a fire toward making this week one to be which was maintained all day and remembered by the constantly growing terest due January 1 on \$111,000,000 which was supported by ten machine guns they had dragged across the desistration the company offers to pay ert from Chihuahua.

Foot by foot the rebels approached

Foot by foot the rebels approached Little Queen" and several others here-the Federal trenches until their fire tofore presented as Mr. Newing's comyear 6 per cent notes secured by Mexi-can government bonds. became too severe for the defenders, pany and productions surpass Inability of the company to pay the interest due on January 1 is due, according to President Erown, to the dislocation of the road's service, loss of service and in the shelter of the town itself.

became too severe for the defenders, pany and productions surpass the who retired. Soon as darkness fell, average stock company that has been all Federals who had not fled were huddled in the shelter of the town itself. earnings and increased expenses result-

Although the rebels to-night appeared to have much advantage, the outcome of the struggle was not clearly defined. That the Federals will surrough and intelligent staging. And these are to be found in the performance and their execute and production at the Bijou this aggregation of players together much longer. Gives Friendly Reception to Well-Known
Polar Claims.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]
London, December 39.—Dr. Frederick A.
Cook to-day made his debut in the London
Music Hall when he appeared at the Pavilion, where an audience of scarcely fifty
persons gave a friendly reception to his
well-worn claim to the discovery of the
North Pole. the so-called volunteers and their com-manders, General Pascual Orozco, Ynez Salazar, Antonio Rojas, Blas Orpinal, Lazare Alanis and Roque Gomez. Eighteen hundred volunteers also come under the sentence of death imposed by order of General Villa. That the Federals, with all their generals except perhaps General Francisco Castro, General Jose Mancilla and General Manuel Landa, of the records and sentence of the records and sentence.

In the first place, now that the "easy and pleasant" but monotonous Mr. Ford has left the company, Mr. Newing has engaged a real actor for the immensely sell V. De W. Bleecker, formerly of the gundant person of Leslie Bassett, who gives it a striking performance.

Not only does Mr. Bassett play with such admirable lack of self-conscious. Federals, with all their generals ex-cept perhaps General Francisco Cas-tro, General Jose Mancilla and General such admirable lack of self-conscious-tro, General Jose Mancilla and General such admirable lack of self-consciousmajority.

Cook said to-night that he will shortly return to the United States to appear before the congressional committee investigating his polar claims. case of defeat was thought of American side to be most likely.

Dearth of News.

Supporters Suggest Check for Marchers at Two Dollars Each.

Albany, N. Y., December 30.—Supporters of William Sulzer in Albany recently received a letter from him suggesting when he comes to take his seat in the assembly on January 7 he be met with a band and parade.

The reply was: "Band, \$35; marchers, \$2 each. Please send check." Washington, December 30.—Limited means of communication is given by officials as the reason no news reached the State or War Departments to-day regarding the battle in the Mexican town of Ojinaga. Some doubt was expressed as to the procedure said to have been adopted by the American commander at Presidio, Texas, in the treatment of Federal soldiers seeking to cross the line. The State Department has given no

instructions looking to any different treatment for such refugees than that accorded to Federals driven across the line several months ago at 'and Brownsville, Texas.
the soldiers were dis the soldiers were distance and returned. Naco fugitive sent to Fort Rosecranz, Cal., for skeeping. The Brownsville refugees were detained at that place. It is said at the War Department that officials there assumed if Federal soldiers who crossed the line at Preside. the line at Presidio were disarmed and then forced to return into Mexico, it must have been because the American commanding officer did not believe he thereby was endangering their lives or violating any of the laws of human ity. The department is waiting with interest for more information.

State Department reports to-day are that the financial tension in the Mexican capital has been relieved by the enforced bank holiday. Conditions at Acapulco continue serious. Bandits

are overrunning the State.

For the first time since the dispatch of foreign vessels to the west coast of Mexico, so far as officials recall, the craft of three different nations are in the same Mexican port. This inter-national fleet at Mazatlan comprises the Japanese cruiser Idzuma, the Brit-ish cruiser Shearwater, and the Amerian cruiser Pittsburgh and the supply ship Glacier. Officials here have re-ceived no advices as to the reason for the concentration of so formidable squadron at this western port.

Interest created by the report that fifty Japanese officers had applied for permission to join the Mexican Federal army was dispelled to-day, when it was learned the report had been de-nied in Tokyo by the Mexican minister to Japan.
Reports continue to pour in from

Reports continue to pour in from many sources describing destitution and suffering throughout Mexico 'n consequence of the suspension of industrial activities and the failure of crops. It has not been determined to what extent the Red Cross can continue relief work recently begun in Sinaloa.

Plot Again Huerta.
[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]
Mexico City, December 30.—Marcial
and Jose Esparaza, brothers and wellknown men about town, were arrested here to-day on the charge of plotting the assassination of Provisional Pres-ident Huerta. Huerta was to have been shot at the New Year's recepNew Year's Eve at

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cording to the information in the hands the

resumed at Monterey and Saltillo, and there has been an engagement near Torreon. The rebels attacked the out-Torreon. The rebels attacked the out-skirts of Manzatlan this morning, and Skirts of Manzatlan this morning, and while the battle lasted most of the day no details have been received here.

The Federals are reported to have been suited to the part of "Jimsy" as it has been received by the federals are reported to have been been suited to the part of "Jimsy" as it has been received by the federals are reported to have been suited to the part of "Jimsy" as it has beaten at San Luis Potesi to-day, but the city remains in the hands of the Federals according to an announcement from the War Department. The Federals has also been been relieved to the part of "Jimsy," as it has become conventionalized, plays it with such quiet humor and force that if the small bits are made to the part of "Jimsy," as it has been relieved to the erals have also been driven back in an

**AMUSEMENTS** 

Bijou-Grayce Scott Company, in "Paid in Full."

Empire-Vaudeville.

Lyric-Keith vandeville, matinee and

In Eugene Walter's famous play, Paid in Full," De Witt Newing's ex-

patronage of our winter stock com-pany, for "Paid in Full" as far out-

an actor-proof play. On the contrary, it requires most skilled, not to say

"The Third Degree."

of the Federal authorities.

Marcial Esparaza, one of Huerta's a performance worth seeing for itself, former staunch friends, was a candidate for the governorship of the Federal district at the beginning of Huerta's administration, but Huerta favored another candidate and the enmity began with that.

The second of the work stands out positively as a performance worth seeing for itself, but, when one thinks how the smiling for the work stands out positively as a performance worth seeing for itself, but, when one thinks how the smiling part, Mr. Bassett's snarling, frowning ter, figure of Joe Brooks becomes a brilliant characterization.

with that.

Numerous messages have been reviewed here to-day stating that the bands of Zapatistas operating in the southern portion of the Federal district and close to Mexico City are preparing to attack the capital. No confirmation has been obtainable and litteration has been obtainable and litteration of the second of the part of Emma Brooks of the opportunity to appeal through the exercise of the part of Emma Brooks of the opportunity to appeal through the compelled to rely upon her natural and schooled ability as an actor. Nor does it fail her for a moment, but on the contrary, enables her to make of the contrary, enables her to make of the brave, cheerful, self-sacrificing wife a very real and touching personality.

Mr. Thompson proves again his un

The small bits are well done, and Mr. Berthelet, the stage director, has supplied settings of an excellence remarks able even among his ingenious and artistic efforts.

If you would see the best performance given by a stock company in Richmond in many a day, go to see "Pad in Full" at the Bijou this week.

Galaxy of Stars To-Night.

Galaxy of Stars To-Night.

Ever since it was announced that "Fine Feathers," the biggest dramatic success of the day, would be presented at the Academy to-night and to-morrow, matinee and night, local playgoers have been wondering if they would get the same cast of famous stars that distinguished fivegmarkable runs at the Astor Theatre, New York, and the Cort Theatre, Chicago, The runs at the Astor Theatre, New York, and the Cort Theatre, Chicago. The management of the Academy wishes to assure all patrons that such is the case. If the company were headed by Robert Edeson, Wilton Lackaye, Max Figman or Rose Coghlan, the occasion would be a notable event, but with all these than the country of the cou stars in a single cast, together with Lolita Robertson, Lydia Dickson, and all the others of the original group of prominent players in "Fine Feathe the engagement becomes one that will the engagement becomes one that with go down as a red letter event in local theatricals. The play has been pro-nounced the biggest human document ever presented on the stage, while the acting, as may be imagined, has been

characterized by the one word-per

fect. Local playgoers will be

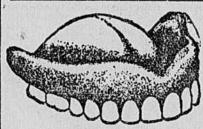


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